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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Hon. Commissioner of  
Patents and Trademarks  
Alexandria, VA 22313

29 July 2008

Sir:

This communication is substantively responsive to your Final Office Communication dated 29 January 2008, having a shortened statutory period for reply set to expire 29 April 2008. An accompanying Request for Continued Examination was also submitted on 28 July 2008.

Please amend the application described above as follows:

**In the Claims:**

Please amend the claims as shown in the section entitled Claim Amendments. The text of the withdrawn claims have now been included.